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Re: Revised Remedial Action Objectives (RAOs) and Management Goals (Lower Willamette River, Portland Harbor Superfund Site, USEPA Docket No: CERCLA-10-2001-0240)

## Chip and Eric:

The LWG has reviewed EPA's latest comments on the revised RAOs and Management Goals text provided via email attachment dated July 2, 2009. Attached is revised RAOs and Management Goals text in the form of a proposed RAOs section of the future Feasibility Study (FS). This version includes many of EPA's previous revisions to the RAOs, but also includes alternate text that the LWG believes is the most technically and legally accurate way to word the RAOs. We have included narrative comments within the text that describe the technical and legal reasons for this alternate text.

We understand based on discussions to date that EPA disagrees with some of the LWG's alternate wording. However, the LWG believes it is necessary to go on record regarding the RAO text that we consider to be the most legally and technically accurate.

Sincerely,

**Bob Wyatt** 

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